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1. The following is a breakdown of the organization of the Polish Ministry of Health. It has the following departments:

- a. Cadres (Kadr)
- b. Planning (Planowanie)
- c. Scientific Council (Rada Naukowa)
- d. Control (Biuro Kontroli)
- e. General Administration (Ogólna Administracja)
- f. Personnel (Personalny)
- g. Organization and Legal (Organizacyjno-Prawny)
- h. Sanitary - Anti-epidemic (Sanitarno-Epidemiczny)

- i. Prophylactics and Treatment (Profilaktyka i Lecznictwo), with the following sections:

- (1) Psychiatric Diseases (Choroby Psychjacyjne)
- (2) Pediatrics (Pediatria)
- (3) Tuberculosis (Gruźlica)
- (4) Stomatology (Stomatologia)
- (5) Sanitary Education (Oświaty Sanitarne)

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- (6) Disinfection (Dezynfekcji)
- (7) Town and Settlement Hygiene (Higjena Miast i Osiedli)
- (8) Contagious Diseases (Choroby Zarazliwe)
- (9) Industrial Production (Produkcji Przemyslowej)
- (10) Work Safety and Hygiene (Bezpieczenstwa i Higjenu Pracy)
- j. Schools and Science (Szkolnictwa i Nauki), with the following sections:
 - (1) Secondary Schools (Szkolnictwo Srednie), with the following subsections:
 - (a.) Curriculum (Programowy)
 - (b.) Youth (Mlodziezy)
 - (c.) General (Ogolny)
 - (2) Higher Educational Institutions, with the following subsections:
 - (a.) Administration and Investments (Administracja i Inwestycja)
 - (b.) Recruitment of Youth (Rekrutacja Mlodziezy)
 - (c.) Program of Studies, Publications and Study Aids (Programowy, Wydawnictwa i Pomoce Naukowe)
 - (d.) Organization of Studies (Organizacja Studiow)
 - (e.) University Hospitals (Szpitale Kliniczne)
 - (f.) Scientific Personnel (Kadr Naukowych)
- k. Preventive Medicine against Contagious Diseases and Tuberculosis (Zwalczanie Chorob Zarazliwych i Przeciw Gruzylicy), with the following sections:
 - (1) Open Treatment (Lecznictwo Otwarte)
 - (2) Infirmarys (Ambulatorjum)
- l. Sanatoriums (Uzdrowisk)
- m. Work Hygiene and Occupational Diseases (Higjena Pracy i Chorob Zawodowych)
- n. Mother and Child (Matki i Dziecka), with the following sections:
 - (1) Open Treatment (Lecznictwo Otwarte)
 - (2) Closed Treatment (Lecznictwo Zamkniete)
 - (3) Institute for Mother and Child (Instytut Matki i Dziecka)
 - (4) Preventive Medical Instruction (Poradzenie Ochrony Zdrowia)
- o. Supplies and Pharmaceutics (Zaopatrzenie i Przetwory Farmaceutyczne), with the following sections:
 - (1) Scientific Institutes (Instytuty Naukowe)
 - (2) Distribution of Medicines (Rozdzielenie Lekow)

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(3) Electric Medical Equipment (Elektro-Medyczne-Aparaty)

(4) Pharmaceutics Factories (Fabryki Farmaceutyczne)

p. Army Department

q. Work and Salaries

2. In general, the above departments include sections like the following:

a. Open Treatment (Lecznictwo Otwarte)

b. Closed Treatment (Lecznictwo Zamkniete)

c. Economic (Gospodarczy)

d. Statistics (Statystyka)

e. Budget and Finance (Budzetowo-Finansowy)

f. Investments (Inwestycje)

g. Food Control (Badania Zywnosci)

h. Independent Section for Research (Samodzielny Referat Wynalazczosci)

i. Laboratory (Laboratorja)

j. Electric Medical Instruments (Sprzet Elektro-Medyczny)

3. The Army Department (p. above) is the liaison office between the Ministry of Health and the Military Medical Services. It is independent and has no connection with the Ministry of Health with regard to the hiring of personnel. It controls all the independent departments of the Ministry of Public Security (MBP) and the departments for military medicine in academies and the medical faculties of universities. The latter have their own budget in the framework of the Ministry of Defense, independent of that of the army. The Army Department is the only administrative link between the Ministry of Health and the medical institutions of the MBP.

4. In 1953 in Poland there were 14,400 physicians, including dentists and medical orderlies, as compared to 8,160 in 1945 and 8,880 in 1938. In 1953 a total of 2,300 students graduated from medical academies (including dentistry) after five years of studies. A new physician may work independently after a three-month period under the supervision of the head of a medical institution or a hospital and upon the recommendation of the latter. The head of a hospital also recommends young physicians for further specialized training in a special field, such as internal diseases, surgery, etc.

5. There is a total of 90,480 beds in Polish hospitals, this figure representing 37.7 beds per 10,000 inhabitants. Warsaw, with a population of 700,000, has 12 hospitals with a total of 4,000 beds. There are 20,000 beds in sanatoriums; only physicians were informed of this number and informed it should be kept secret. There are 4,300 beds in maternity wards, which exist in every village.

6. Between 10 and 17 January 1954 the following department heads were dismissed from the Ministry of Health, the dismissals being kept secret:

a. Zygmunt Grynberg, brother-in-law of Jakub Berman.

b. Gormada (fnu).

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- c. Helena Slomczynska, head of the Department for Mother and Child.
- 7. Dr. Gazof, arrested a year ago, is believed to have died in prison.
- 8. Przysuski (fnu), Party Controller of the Ministry of Health, is losing his influence. He is afflicted with acromegaly.

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